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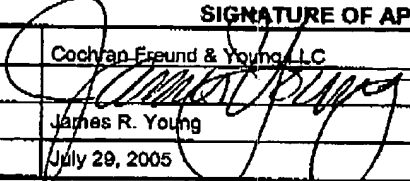
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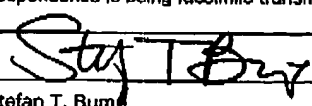
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Applicant:	Holcomb et al.	Examiner:	Gregory J. Strimbu
Serial No.:	09/815,376	Group Art Unit:	3634
Filed:	March 21, 2001		
For:	COMBINATION DIFFERENTIAL AND ABSOLUTE PRESSURE TRANSDUCER FOR LOAD LOCK CONTROL	Docket No.	16458-050 (MKSI.50USU1)

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**APPLICANT'S STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THE
INTERVIEW OF 19 APRIL 2005**

Sir:

In response to the Office Communication mailed July 25, 2005, the Applicant hereby submits this Statement of the Substance of the Interview of April 19, 2005, as required by 37 C.F.R. 1.111 and M.P.E.P. 713.04.

Applicant requested the interview with Examiner Strimbu, which took place in Examiner Strimbu's office on April 19, 2005. Applicant's attorney, James R. Young, and an employee of the applicant assignee, Paul Dozoretz, attended the interview with Examiner Strimbu.

At the interview, the applicant discussed distinctions and advantages of the present invention over the apparatus discussed in the Hanson et al. article entitled "Vacuum Technology Pressure Measurement and Control in Loadlocks", which was deemed by the applicant to be the closest prior art reference, and the Ikeda reference was discussed. Such distinctions and advantages discussed were substantially those discussed in the Remarks of the Amendment/Reply that was filed by applicant on May 10, 2005, including a pressure transducer that is capable of outputting control signals based on settable absolute and differential pressure levels or set points for direct control of load lock doors and for cross-over pump speed (e.g.

throttle) switching where heat conduction transitions or "crosses over" between molecular conduction and convection, and doing so with two pressure sensors, rather than the three pressure sensors taught by Hanson et al. It was noted by Applicant that throttle was used in a functional sense to refer to effective pumping speed and not to any specific or particular kind of valve apparatus to accomplish that function.

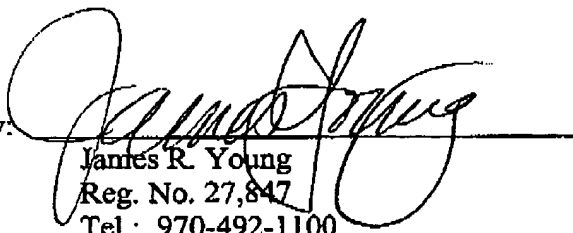
Applicant suggested amending the claims to include the limitations of mounting the pirani pressure sensor and absolute pressure transducer together with a control circuit in a housing and setting the exterior door control reference and suggested using the regular pirani pressure to control a throttle valve. The examiner stated that the above changes appear to overcome the rejection of record, but would require further review. The applicant agreed to submit a response in accordance with Office practice.

A copy of the Interview Summary signed by Examiner Strimbu is attached hereto.

Respectfully Submitted,
COCHRAN FREUND & YOUNG LLC

Dated: July 29, 2005

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Interview Summary	Application No. 09/815,376	Applicant(s) HOLCOMB ET AL.	
	Examiner Gregory J. Strimbu	Art Unit 3634	

All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

(1) Gregory J. Strimbu (3) Paul Dozoretz

(2) James R. Young (4) _____

Date of Interview: 19 April 2005.

Type: a) ☐ Telephonic b) ☐ Video Conference
c) ☒ Personal [copy given to: 1) ☒ applicant 2) ☐ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☒ No.
If Yes, brief description: _____.

Claim(s) discussed: Proposed claims 8, 9, 11.

Identification of prior art discussed: Ikeda and Vacuum Technology Pressure Measurement and Control in Loadlocks.


Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☐ was reached. g) ☒ was not reached. h) ☐ N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: See Continuation Sheet.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

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GREGORY J. STRIMBU
PRIMARY EXAMINER



Examiner's signature, if required

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